

## Church Matters.

## Religious Notices.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**—Rev. H. W. Ballantine, Pastor. Public worship on the Sabbath at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school at 12 M. Sunday-school prayer meeting, Sabbath, at 7 P. M. Weekly prayer meeting, Thursday, at 7.45 P. M.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.**—Rev. Ezra D. Simons, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school, 12 M. The Lord's Supper on the first Sabbath of each month, close of morning service. Weekly meetings on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Young People's meeting, Sabbath evening at 6.30 o'clock.

**METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.**—Rev. D. R. Lowrie, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school at 2.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7.45. Class meetings Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.45.

**THE WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**—Fremont street, corner Franklin. Rev. S. W. Duffield, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school, 12 M. Weekly prayer meeting at 8 o'clock each Thursday evening, in Chapel parlor.

**CHRIST CHURCH (EPISCOPAL).**—Liberty street. Rev. W. G. Farrington, D.D., Rector. Morning service 10.30 o'clock; Sunday-school at 9.30 A. M.

**CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART.**—Rev. J. M. Nardiello, Pastor. First mass, 8.30 A. M.; High mass, 10.30; Vespers, 3 P. M.; Sunday-school, 2.30 P. M.

**BERKLEY UNION SABBATH SCHOOL.**—Held in Berkeley school-house, Bloomfield Avenue, every Sunday at 8 o'clock P. M. John A. Skinner, Superintendent. All are welcome.

**WATSESSING M. E. CHURCH.**—Rev. J. Cowans, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school, 2.30 P. M. Prayer meeting, Thursday evening at 7.45. Class meeting on Tuesday evening at 7.45.

**ST. PAUL'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.**—Watseessing. Rev. Daniel Edwards, Rector. Morning service, 10.30 o'clock; evening service, 7.30; Sunday-school, 3 P. M.

**GERMAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**—Rev. John M. Enslin, Pastor. Hours of Service, 10.30 A. M. Sunday-school 2 P. M. Prayer meeting, Tuesday evening, 7.45.

**REFORMED CHURCH, BROOKDALE.**—Rev. J. M. Enslin, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school, 9 A. M. G. Day, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening.

**HOPE CHAPEL** Sunday-school every Sabbath at 8.30 P. M. Mr. John G. Broughton, Superintendent.

**SILVER LAKE.**—Sabbath-school held every Sunday, in the hall, at 3 P. M. Charles A. Hubbs, Superintendent. Gospel meeting every Sabbath evening at 7.45 o'clock. Prayer and Conversational meeting Friday evening.

## Silver Lake Sabbath School.

Last Sabbath evening the meeting at Silver Lake was given entirely to exercises by the Sabbath school, under the charge of Mr. Chas. A. Hubbs, Superintendent. The hall was very tastefully decorated with autumn leaves and flowers. Over the desk was the word WELCOME worked in leaves. The exercises consisted of singing, recitations, and a short address; they were in every way appropriate, spiritual, interesting, and profitable, and seemed to be well appreciated by the large number of parents, neighbors, and friends who filled the room to its utmost capacity.

The officers, teachers, and scholars manifested a great deal of interest and delight in the meeting, and evinced an enthusiasm in their Sunday-school work which is indeed a very hopeful sign.

## Young People's Association.

At a meeting of the young people of Westminster Church, Friday evening, Oct. 5, 1883, an association was formed having for its object mutual benefit and pleasure, both spiritual and religious. About fifty-five names were given of those who desired to belong to such an association, and by informal ballot the following persons were elected officers: Mr. Henry B. Sheldon, Jr., Pres.; Miss M. J. McIntosh, Vice-Pres.; Mr. Frank Ward, Treas.; Miss Lillie B. Day, Sec'y. A committee was appointed, consisting of Miss Jennie Smith, Miss Augusta Sheldon, and Miss Nellie Crane, to consult about forming a constitution for the association. The association then adjourned until Friday evening, Oct. 12th.

## Come and See.

For the benefit of those teachers who cannot attend the S. S. Normal Class, we would like to give a full report of all the good thoughts, explanations and suggestions that are brought out by the leader, Mr. Brodhead, and members of the class at each weekly gathering. To do this, however, and do it well, would require a short hand, and a long column, and a power to reproduce effects. We can only say to those who do not attend, come and see. The meeting last Wednesday evening, was largely attended by teachers from all the schools. Rev. Mr. Brodhead, notwithstanding his labors all day at the County Convention, was promptly on hand, and his teaching was as bright, fresh, and spiritual as ever. The lesson was well taught, many important points being brought to light that ordinarily would have been passed by unnoticed. Among those present we were glad to see the Rev. Mr. Ballantine, Rev. Mr. Duffield, Rev. Mr. Stubbett, and Rev. John Ward.

## Woman's Missionary Meeting.

The 8.57 A. M. train, M. & G. L. R. R., on Thursday, had among its passengers seven ladies, delegates from the Bloomfield Baptist Church to the annual meeting of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the North New Jersey Baptist Association, held this year in the Willis Street Baptist Church, Paterson. The object of the society is the raising of funds to aid especially in the mission work among heathen women. So far the work has been very successful, and large sums of money have been raised, and forwarded

to the mission field. The delegates report the meeting this year to have been one of unusual interest. Every circle in the association was heard from, and from many of these came encouraging reports. An interesting journal from Miss Haswell, missionary, was read, containing many items of importance.

Mrs. Margaret Sangster, the celebrated writer, was present and addressed the meeting. She also read an article written by a heathen widow, on the subject of the deplorable condition of the widows in heathen lands. The article was very affecting, moving many to tears. The meeting next year will be held in the Baptist Church of Bloomfield.

## Fraternal Meetings.

At the fiftieth anniversary of the North N. J. Baptist Association, held in Roseville, June 13 and 14, this year, the Board of Managers, of which Rev. E. D. Simons is chairman, advised, "That practice be and agreeable to the Pastors and Churches, a series of fraternal meetings be held during the fall and winter among all the churches of the Association."

In compliance therewith, the first of this series was held on Tuesday evening last in the Baptist Church of Bloomfield. The Rev. A. J. Steelman of Roseville was the visiting pastor. The attendance was quite good for a weekday evening, and an off night. The sermon, preached by Mr. Steelman, on the divinity of Christ, was exceedingly plain, interesting, and profitable, and was listened to with close attention. The speaker completely captured the hearers at the beginning of his discourse, by coming down from the desk, passing the long rows of empty chairs, which had separated him from the audience, and placing himself in a very near, social, and friendly position to the people. Religious meetings frequently suffer in spirit because of the fact that so many of the people are of an humble turn of mind and fill up the back seats first, leaving a wide space with unfilled seats between the leader and the audience. Mr. Steelman evidently believes there is a better way; at all events he set a march for once on the humble-minded ones.

The next in the series of fraternal meetings will be held in the same place on next Tuesday evening, when some other visiting minister will be present.

## Synod of New Jersey.

The annual meeting of the Presbyterian Synod of New Jersey will convene in the First Presbyterian Church of Orange, next Tuesday morning, and will probably continue in session until Friday. It is expected that about four hundred delegates will attend from out of town, and entertainment for them will be provided by the congregations of the Presbyterian churches of Orange and East Orange. Dinner for all the delegates will be served at noon each day in upper Music Hall, by Davis, and entertainment will be provided by residents for supper, lodging, and breakfast. The sermon on Tuesday will be delivered by the Rev. Dr. Yeomans, of the Central Church, Orange, Moderator of Synod.—*East Orange Gazette.*

## Unprofitable Regret.

"There is no loss so touching and so deep as that which we feel when we bury our loved ones. Grief is sacred time. But no grief has the right of immortality. That ground belongs to joy, to hope, to faith. It has no right to long for the past. A person has a right to go back perpetually and keep open the wounds which God would heal, and to enfeeble himself, when he should grow strong, by suffering. Hear the who of him who, for the joy that set before him endured the shame, 'No affliction,' says he, by the voice of His servant, 'for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous; nevertheless, afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them that are exercised thereby.' No body has a right to sit down by the grave and give himself to a sanctuary. No person has a right to strike darkness through all the chambers of memory."

"Is there any grief more touching than that which is filled with a consciousness of unforgotten sins? Alas! if I had known that my girl, just blossoming into life, was to be taken from me, how much more would I have done for her. Ah! if I had known that my companion, between whom and me came sunshine and showers, was to leave me forever, would I ever have come into her presence with a moody and scowling brow? Would I ever have been unreasonable in my conduct toward her? Would I have demanded so much service, and been willing to render so little? Would I not have been more vigilant to fulfill my whole duty towards her? But now she is gone, and I cannot recall her. The past is all dark and bitter to me. Well, these are most wholesome and salutary reflections, but only on one ground, namely, that they bring forth the fruit of fidelity to those who have been spared to you. Waste not your time or your strength in vain regrets over those who are gone. Would you not your heart with a poisoned dagger because you have unfulfilled duties of affection in the past; but look forward, and see to it that you fulfill all like duties in the future. Those who are separated widely apart shall not yet stand together again, and greet each other with smiles of love that shall never die out from the face?"

"So we often pine for the lost, because if we had known, as nobody could know beforehand, what experience has taught us, we might have kept them." "If I had known that that ride would have brought my child home fevered and ready to die, would I have taken it?" "If I had understood the complaint from which the child was suffering, and had known what a critical state it was in, would I have said to it, 'Be still! be still! go and lie down, and you will be better?' " "If I had dreamed that such and such remedies of such a school would have such an effect, and lead to the grave, would I have used them?" "If I had heeded So-and-so's advice, I might have had my child now." Thus persons torment themselves with vain regrets with regard to those who have gone from them. They make grief heavier than it need be, and render it unprofitable. They prevent themselves from looking into the future with chastened eye and heart, and with a more hopeful disposition.

"Let the dead bury their dead! Let the living go! Press forward to the future! Lift up your head! I see many plants that, in summer, when the storm is out, catch drops of rain, and, not knowing how to shed them, are weighed down almost to the ground. And when the storm is gone, they shake themselves, and, little by little, they stretch themselves up again; and the next day they stand, with all their leaves unfolded once more, fragrant and beautiful, as if refreshed, washed, and made strong." May, in troubles—especially the worst ones—be bowed down; but nobody

should lie prostrate, as if torn up by the roots. For that, the Word of God was not given you. For that, the promise of Christ and the visitation of the Holy Ghost were not given to you. For that, the future was not unrolled. You are a child of God, for whom He has provided grace to help in time of need. When you are afflicted, He is nearer to you than at any other time. Be worthy of this Friend and Sympathizer and Benefactor." —*From Words in Season.*

## Obituary.

**To the Bloomfield Citizen:**  
Another shadow has passed over our quiet town, which has enveloped some of its inhabitants in sadness and sorrow, as death entered and took away a beloved friend from one of the happiest homes in our village.

This morning, as the day began to dawn, passed from earth to the celestial world Wm. J. Avord, one of the trust and best men of our town. He had served his generation faithfully in the church for sixty years; and having reached and passed the period of life allotted to man, at nearly four score years of age he bade farewell to his loved ones and fell asleep in Jesus. Mr. Avord resided with his son-in-law, Mr. C. Meeker, on Hillside Avenue. A. B. Bloomfield, Oct. 9, 1883.

## Wants some Information.

**To the Bloomfield Citizen:**  
Please give a reason why the town will not throw some light on wayfarers, after nightfall, on Washington Street, from the railway to Midland Avenue.

Also, why the railway company will insist on covering the walk from the station to Washington Street with pebbles and small stones, to the worry of tender feet, and why that path cannot be so graded that walking there after a rain may not have all the happy features of wading through a quagmire.

H. J. S.

[We understand that this walk between the station and Washington Street is owned and controlled by the D. L. & W. R. R. It was hoped that we might secure a thoroughfare by purchase, but the apathy of those most concerned, and a few technicalities in addition defeated the scheme.—*Eds. CITIZEN.*]

## Unequal Taxation.

**To the Bloomfield Citizen:**  
Your issue of the 29th ult., contained a communication from "Jesse" relative to taxation in Bloomfield, that I bespeak the privilege of replying to, as I consider it unjust to so assail the actions of our worthy assessor, Mr. Oakes. The property that prompted the communication was bought by "Jesse" at about \$8,000, and it is currently reported as emanating from "Jesse" that an offer of \$1,000 as a reward has been refused. In that event it is safe to assume the property worth \$9,000. An assessment of \$3,900 is, therefore, barely 42 per cent. of its salable value. The property owned by Mr. Oakes on Hillside Avenue, and now occupied by Mr. Wm. Thompson, I should not value, (as property has recently been selling,) beyond \$6,500, notwithstanding the extreme price of \$8,000 placed on it by Mr. Oakes, and which fact he acknowledged in your issue of the 6th inst., was beyond its value. Now the assessed value of this property, \$3,700, is about 46 per cent. of its salable value, and in the same ratio with the property owned by "Jesse," and consequently has not been assessed by Mr. Oakes, all statements from "Jesse" to the contrary, notwithstanding. The property formerly owned by Mr. Miller, on the southwest corner of Ridge street and Linden Avenue, was purchased by Mr. Beam and myself in May, 1882, at \$6,500. The price was no secret, as the property was freely offered for some time, with no hungry buyers outside of the present owners. This property, was assessed in 1882 at \$5,000, and taxes promptly paid, although assessment was 77 per cent. of its purchase price. This year, after the assessment of \$5,000 was again levied, Mr. Beam, called on Mr. Oakes, and succeeded in having the figure reduced to \$4,500. These facts I make public to convince tax payers that Mr. Oakes is anxious and willing to correct mistakes; also that there are an easy manner of perceiving that there is no just or sensible ground for complaint of over-taxation on the part of "Jesse." In conclusion, I beg to state that, aside from the property herein considered, I am unable to judge whether Mr. Oakes has been remiss or not in the discharge of his duties; but of one thing I am assured—that for honesty of purpose and fair and just dealing to all, he is not to be found, cause to condemn or censure him.

JAMES L. WALSH.

Glen Ridge, Oct. 11, 1883.

## The Orange Journal.

has come out in a new and very neat dress. Another important change is that it is issued twice a week, instead of weekly, as heretofore. We offer a wager, by weekly, that this is a good thing.

MICA has been applied to a new use—that of fashioning it into middle soles to boots and shoes. The invention consists of a sheet of mica, embedded in thin coatings of cement, and placed in the boot or shoe under and adjacent to the sole, thus making so judge whether, pinning over its edges, or next under the lining and the outer or bottom sole, and covering the upper space from the toe to the instep.

It is related of the Duchess of Burgundy, that she asked Louis XIV. and Madame de Maintenon why in England queens governed better than kings, and answered the question herself: "Because under kings it is the women who govern, and men under queens."

## List of Letters.

Remaining unclaimed in the Post Office at Bloomfield, N. J., on Wednesday, Oct. 10.

Albright & Co. Gallagher, James  
Bilstein, Margus Gray, Mary  
Babbling, James  
Bryan, Ella Sheridan, Mrs. E.  
Clark, Mabel Smith, James  
Crane, Judson Telephone Co.  
Doremus, Chas. Vanderschaus, H.  
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